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a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device; and

a memory configured to store said output signal.

72. (Amended) An optical apparatus comprising.

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and an optical element which has a variable optical characteristic;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device;

a memory configured to store said output signal; and

a view finder function for determining an image pickup range.

73. (Amended) An optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and a reflective type optical element which has a variable optical characteristic;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device:

a memory configured to store said output signal; and

a view finder function for determining an image piekup range.

74. (Amended) An optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising a reflective type optical element which has an optical surface asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and has a variable optical characteristic:

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

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a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device;

a memory configured to store said output signal; and

a view finder function for determining an image pickup range.

75. (Amended) An optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and an oblique incidence type reflective optical element which has a variable optical characteristic;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display device constructed and arranged to display an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device;

a memory configured to store said output signal; and

a view finder function for determining an image pickup range.

76. (Amended) An optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and a folded optical axis;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device:

a memory configured to store said output signal; and

a view finder function for determining an image pickup range.

77. (Amended) An optical apparatus to be manufactured by lithography comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and an optical element which has a variable optical characteristic;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

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a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device;

a memory configured to store said output signal; and

a view finder function for determining an image pickup range.

84. (Amended) A telephone device comprising an optical apparatus, said optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and an optical element which has a variable optical characteristic;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device; and

a memory configured to store said output signal.

85. (Amended) A telephone device comprising an optical apparatus, said optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and a reflective type optical element which has a variable optical characteristic;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device; and

a memory configured to store said output signal.

86. (Amended) A telephone device comprising an optical apparatus, said optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising a reflective type optical element which has an optical surface asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and has a variable optical characteristic;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device; and

a memory configured to store said output signal.

87. (Amended) A telephone device comprising an optical apparatus, said optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and an oblique incidence type reflective optical element which has a variable optical characteristic;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickub device; and

a memory configured to store said output signal.

88. (Amended) A telephone device comprising an optical apparatus, said optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and a folded optical axis;

an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device; and

a memory configured to store said output signal.

89. (Amended) A telephone device comprising an optical apparatus to be manufactured by lithography, said optical apparatus comprising:

an optical system comprising an optical surface which is rotationally asymmetrical with regard to an optical axis and an optical element which has a variable optical characteristic;



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an image pickup device constructed and arranged to pick up an image formed by said optical system;

a display function for displaying an image which is picked up;

a microprocessor configured to process an output signal from said image pickup device; and

a memory configured to store said output signal.

See the attached Appendix for the changes made to effect the above claims.